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1. IN ACCORDANCE PARA 10 REFTEL I CALLED TODAY ON FONMIN SAPENA PASTOR TO INVITE FOP TO INDICATE ITS INTEREST IN PARAGUAY'S BEING DESIGNATED BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRY UNDER NEW TRADE LAW. PRIVISIONS OF LAW AND PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW WILL BE FURTHER DISCUSSED IN DETAIL WITH ECONOMIC EXPERTS IN FOREIGN MINISTRY, WITH WHOM WE SHALL BE MEETING SHORTLY.

2. IN RESPONSE TO SAPENA'S QUESTION I SAID WE WOULD NOT OBJECT TO FOP'S PUBLISHING SUMMARY OF LAW'S PROVISIONS AS THEY WOULD APPLY TO PARAGUAY. HE FEELS THIS WOULD BE HELPFUL IN DISPELLING LOCAL CONFUSION OVER LAW GENERATED BY PUBLIC FUROR ELSEWHERE IN HEMISPHERE.

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3. SAPENA ALSO NOTED TODAY'S PRESS REPORT THAT DEPARTMENT PLANS TO BRIEF ARA AMBASSADORS IN WASHINGTON JANUARY 14.

 $\hbox{4. RELATED COMMENTS BY FONMIN BY SEPTEL.} \\ \hbox{BRIGGS}$

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